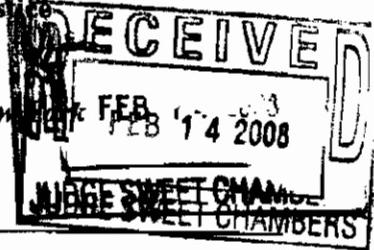




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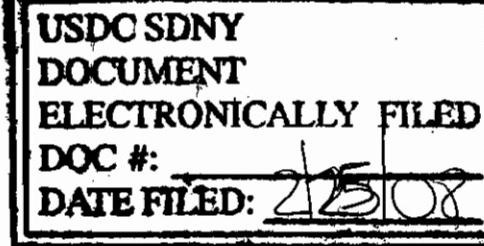
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Re: *United States v. Doris Pichardo-Hernandez*
07 Cr. 1040 (RWS)

Dear Judge Sweet:

The second pre-trial conference in this case was scheduled for today at 4:30 p.m. After speaking with Your Honor's Deputy Court Clerk, the parties have agreed to adjourn the conference to March 27, 2008, at 4:30 p.m. The Government respectfully requests that time be excluded from today until March 27, 2008 under the Speedy Trial Act pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(8)(A) to permit the defendant to continue to review discovery and to allow the parties to continue plea discussions. I have spoken to defense counsel, Stewart Orden, Esq., and he has indicated that there is no objection to this request.

Respectfully submitted,

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